

EPIDEMIC OF COLDS; T. F. RYAN VICTIM

Health Department Attributes It to Weather Changes and "Steam Heated" Flats.

On the wings of a northwest wind a severe epidemic of colds blew into New York yesterday. They began with the first easing up of the cold wave the first of the week and yesterday there was no business office of any size which did not boast of at least one case of cold which was too hoarse to hoist for itself.

While admitting that colds are unusually prevalent, the Board of Health could give no reason for them other than carelessness and failure to meet the sudden changes in weather to which New York has been subjected during the last ten days.

"The habit, which it seems has taken quite a hold on New York this year, of running across the street for just a moment without putting on an overcoat, has had its effect," it was said at the Board of Health offices. "Men rush out of a warm room into the cold air without preparing to meet a change, and a severe cold results. Then we have had numerous complaints of 'steam heated' apartments, which are not heated, and it will be quite a surprise if the number of colds does not increase."

Mr. Thomas F. Ryan was a notable victim yesterday. His cold prevented him from acting as a member of the Reception Committee for Cardinal Farley. Sheriff Harburger and several city officials were also reported as partly disabled as a result of the severe weather.

WANT PHYSICIANS TO BE ADVERTISERS

Dr. Graham Sees Wrong in Medical Men's Modesty and Would Evade Ban Imposed by Ethics.

Why it should be professionally ethical for a medical student in his graduating year to grow whiskers for professional identification when he begins practice, and why, at the same time, it should be professionally criminal for him to advertise in a newspaper his name and office and specialty, if any, is one of the interesting angles of the modern physician as a business man which Dr. R. Lincoln Graham has presented to his profession in addresses and in a recent publication.

Dr. Graham closely observes all the forms prescribed by the ruling bodies of the medical profession in New York, but he is free in his often amusing criticisms of the attitude he, with others, is compelled to assume thereby.

That several physicians of New York of invulnerable professional status and large incomes practice self-exploiting methods not so commendable as advertising in the public prints he plainly declares. Wives of some of them, he said yesterday in his office, No. 127 East Seventy-second street, add thousands annually to their husbands' incomes by utilizing social activities to drum up business for the home exchequer.

"Of course, he declares, reap large profits by advertising institutions which they control while keeping within the pale of medical ethics by not advertising their own names. The masters of the art of the largest hotels in the city, says Dr. Graham, receive salaries or commissions from a physician enjoying one of the largest incomes in the city, much of it through patients of wealth sent to him by these hotel employees. Still another employs well dressed runners who make casual acquaintances in all the big hotels and direct steady streams of patients and dollars to their medical employments.

To raise the professional ban against advertising, Dr. Graham said, would add millions annually to the incomes of the physicians of New York, lighten the burden upon free clinics and dispensaries by one-half and enable specialists to reduce their present necessarily prohibitive fees to proportions the general public could pay.

Dr. Graham is actively promoting his plan for an entering wedge to the advertising field for physicians. This is the registration of every physician under whatever specialty he desires to practice and the distribution of lists in all police stations, fire houses, Board of Health stations, drug stores and other central points for such information.

The public, he believes, will be quick to take advantage of such a system, residents outside of New York will soon learn that they can come here and readily find a specialist to treat the ailment from which they suffer, and the channels which now flow to quacks or free dispensaries will be in large part diverted.

Dr. Graham fully explained his plan in an address to the Yorkville Medical Society recently at its joint meeting with the New York County Pharmaceutical Society, and has further discussed it in a recent contribution to the Medical Times under the caption, "The Income of the Physician." He wrote, in part:

"American physicians suffer heavily at the hands of their foreign born professional competitors, because the latter are widely advertised in the publications printed in foreign languages. It seems to be entirely ethical for a physician to publish his name and specialty in a foreign language in New York, while it expects him from good standing with his associates to use plain English for the same purpose."

Play Checkers by Wireless.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Wednesday.—A checker game by wireless, the first on record, was played here to-day between C. L. Holton and James A. Coles. The distance between the homes of the contestants is two miles. From the time the game was declared on until Mr. Holton took Mr. Coles' last man the players were in almost continuous communication.

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GENERAL W. SMITH DIES OF PNEUMONIA

Was Paymaster General of the Army from 1890 to 1895—Had Civil War Record.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE HERALD.]
PELHAM MANOR, N. Y., Wednesday.—Brigadier General William Smith, U. S. A., retired, died to-day at his home, No. 438 Fowler avenue, Pelham Manor, from pneumonia, which followed a cold contracted on New Year's Day. He was eighty years old and enjoyed a long army record.

He was made additional paymaster of volunteers by President Lincoln in August, 1861, and was mustered out in July, 1866, with a brevet of lieutenant colonel of volunteers. He was made major in the paymaster's department in 1867 and in 1883 he was promoted to lieutenant colonel. In 1890 he was made brigadier general and paymaster general by President Harrison. General Smith was retired in March, 1895.

For the last seven years General Smith had been a resident of Pelham Manor. He was born in Orwell, Vt., and the burial will be there. He is survived by a widow, two sons, Mr. George Shedd, of New York city, and Mr. J. Shepard Shedd, of this city, and a daughter, Miss Elizabeth Shedd, a student at a girl's school in Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

OBITUARY.

MR. GEORGE NORTH EMORY.

Mr. George North Emory, one of the oldest and best known residents of Hempstead, L. I., died at the home of his son, Mr. George S. Emory, at Garden City, yesterday, aged eighty-five. Mr. Emory was one of the most widely known men of Long Island, where he had lived more than fifty years. Mr. Emory was the grandson of Colonel George North, who was on the staff of General Washington during the Revolution. Besides his son, Mr. George S. Emory, who is vice president of the Appleton Company, he leaves a daughter, May, who is the wife of the United States District Attorney, Mr. William J. Young.

MR. JOHN C. SWEENEY.

Mr. John C. Sweeney, a lawyer, of Denver, Colo., died yesterday in the Presbyterian Hospital, where he had been a patient for the last week, suffering from an affection of the kidneys. He was a son of Mr. J. A. Sweeney, of No. 674 West 112th street, and had come here from Denver to visit his father preparatory to departing for Europe on a pleasure trip. He was born in Brooklyn thirty years ago, and went to Denver to take up the study of law immediately after his graduation, in 1887, from Columbia University.

Obituary Notes.

Dr. S. L. Leland Crane, who practiced dentistry in Hartford, Conn., for sixty-five years, died in that city of heart disease yesterday aged eighty-one.

Captain James Foster Stuart Lawrence, U. S. N., retired, died yesterday in Philadelphia following a stroke of apoplexy, which he suffered while visiting the Philadelphia Navy Yard on Tuesday. He was fifty-nine years old.

Dr. Gustav H. Adler, for more than twenty years a dentist in Harlem, died of diabetes on Tuesday at his home, No. 1,343 Madison avenue. Dr. Adler was born in Germany in 1831. His father, the late Dr. Herman Adler, was a prominent dentist in this city. Having completed his early education in the public schools, Dr. Gustav H. Adler was graduated from the New York College of Dentistry nearly twenty-five years ago.

Mr. Gustav Friebus, of Washington, D. C., for forty years a government architect, died in Norfolk, Va., yesterday. Mr. Friebus, a native of Germany, was employed by the government as a draughtsman during the civil war. He assisted in the plans of the present State, War and Navy Building at Washington, and in directing, under General Thomas L. Casey, the completion of the Washington Monument.

Mrs. Rose Brigham Cofford, widow of Mr. William T. Cofford, died in Brooklyn on Tuesday. She lived at No. 65 East Nineteenth street, Brooklyn. Mrs. Cofford had been financial secretary of the Daughters of the Revolution of New York State, for several years. She had been Regent of Continental Chapter and for several years served on the State Board of the society. She was a member of the Frigate Constitution of 1812 Society, Kings County Chapter, and the Brigham Society.

Gales Bring Lobster Famine.

PORTSMOUTH, Me., Wednesday.—Not for many months have lobsters been so scarce as at the present time. Many lobster fishermen have become discouraged and have given up the work for the present. The storms of the last six weeks have played havoc with traps and boats.

The latest and strongest novel by Joseph Conrad, the famous English writer of sea stories, is called "Chance," and it was written especially for the SUNDAY NEW YORK HERALD. First chapters next Sunday.

MR. KNOX ON CARIBBEAN.

All Seats Are Taken for Secretary's Address Here.

Announcement was made yesterday that "The Monroe Doctrine and Some Incidental Obligations in the Zone of the Caribbean" will be the subject of Secretary Knox's address before the New York State Bar Association in Carnegie Hall on Friday evening. All the seats are reserved and requests for seats are far in excess of the hall's capacity.

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JUDGE SHEDDEN DIES IN PLATTSBURG

Was Member of State Board That Gave Eighty Cent Gas to New York City.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE HERALD.]
PLATTSBURG, N. Y., Wednesday.—Judge Lucian L. Shedd, one of the ablest lawyers and most distinguished citizens of Northern New York, died here this morning of pneumonia. He was sixty-two years old. He was District Attorney of Clinton county from 1877 to 1883, and County Judge from 1880 to 1902. In 1905 Governor Higgins appointed him a member of the first State Board of Commissioners of Gas and Electricity. The famous decision giving New York city eighty cent gas was handed down by this Board, and was finally upheld by the United States Supreme Court after being fought through all the courts.

Judge Shedd was a member of the State Bar Association and a regent of the University of the State of New York at the time of his death. He leaves a widow, two sons, Mr. George Shedd, of New York city, and Mr. J. Shepard Shedd, of this city, and a daughter, Miss Elizabeth Shedd, a student at a girl's school in Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

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MAID PAYS TRIBUTE

TO DEAD EMPLOYER

Inserts Death Notice in Herald Praising Mrs. Anson W. Hard's Good Qualities.

An unusual tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. Ellen W. Hard, who died at her home, No. 21 East Eighty-eighth street, on Tuesday, by Mary E. Broderick, her maid. So attached was she to the employer she had served for nine years that she inserted in yesterday morning's HERALD a notice of Mrs. Hard's death, in her own name, and separate from the one ordered published by the members of the Hard family. The maid's notice read:

"HARD.—Mrs. ANSON W. HARD, January 16, 1912. I deeply regret her death. A noble, kind Christian, a very charitable woman. A mother, kind, thoughtful employer could not be found. Her maid, Mary E. Broderick.

The maid said she was too overcome last night to discuss the gratitude which led her to insert the extra notice. Mrs. Hard (née Whipple) was the wife of Anson Wales Hard, a coffee importer, of No. 107 Wall street. Her son, Anson W. Hard, Jr., is a bond broker, living at Sayville, L. I.

SEEK MAN KIDNAPPED IN 1871.

Henry M. Gage Once Advertised for Relatives; Now They Begin Hunt.

DALLAS, Texas, Wednesday.—Attempts to find Henry Martin Gage, kidnapped by gypsies in Holland, Mich., in 1871, were renewed here to-day. Ten years ago a copy on her deathbed confessed to the kidnapping. Gage tried to find his relatives without success.

Then he dropped from sight. He had advertised in Omaha newspapers asking information about his relatives, but it is said he received no response. The advertisement had been overlooked, it is believed.

Kinsmen of Gage, assisted by old family friends, took up the search for him to-day.

Aid for the Destitute.

The HERALD acknowledges receipt of \$2 from "Connecticut," \$1 from "J. R. S." and \$5 from "E. G. C." for the relief of Mrs. Katherine Rice, whose condition of privation was told in the HERALD last Sunday. From "J. R. S." comes \$1 for "the relief of the theatre cleaner."

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THOMAS O'REILLY DIES SUDDENLY

Was Police Captain, Succeeding Alexander Williams in Command of the "Tenderloin" Precinct.

Mr. Thomas O'Reilly, who retired in 1895 from the Police Department as a captain, died suddenly of heart disease yesterday in his home, at No. 43 West 130th street. He was seventy-two years old, and for several years before he left the Police Department had been known as the "Tear of the Tenderloin," succeeding Captain Alexander Williams.

During practically all of his service as a policeman and for several years after his retirement, Mr. O'Reilly was known under the name of Kelly. That name he received while serving in the First United States Cavalry during the Civil War. It was not until a long time after his retirement that Mr. O'Reilly's persistent use of his correct name caused his friends to drop their reference to him as Captain "Tom Kelly."

Mr. O'Reilly was born in Greene County, and when he was fifteen years old enlisted in the navy. Before the Civil War, however, he had left the navy and enlisted in the army. He entered the Police Department in 1886 and was made a captain in 1887. He is survived by a widow, two sons and one daughter.

DISAPPEARS WHILE SKATING.

Wesch Had \$300 When He Left and Destitute Bride Asks Police to Find Him.

With \$300 and a gold watch in his pockets Richard Wesch, twenty-two years old, of No. 84 East 16th street, kissed his wife good-bye on Monday and told her he was going to New Jersey to skate with friends. Wesch has not been heard from since, and his wife last night reported the disappearance to the police.

Mrs. Wesch said she was married on July 23 last, and that her husband sold his prosperous coal and ice business a week ago. She said he was subject to spells of illness. Wesch is described as being five feet high and of slight build. He wore a blue suit with gray overcoat and tan shoes. He also wore a wedding ring with the initials "M. M. to R. W." Mrs. Wesch was left destitute and is living with friends at No. 50 East 14th street.

UNWELCOMED WIFE ENDS LIFE

Young Michigan Bride, Spurned by Student Husband's Family, Takes Cyanide.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE HERALD.]
BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Wednesday.—Mrs. Paul Kellogg killed herself by swallowing strychnine to-day, presumably despondent because the family of Dr. John H. Kellogg did not look with favor on her marriage to Dr. Kellogg's adopted son Paul.

Young Kellogg left school in Tennessee to marry the young woman, who was Miss Bertha Gardner. When the couple came to Battle Creek, the doors of the Kellogg home were closed against them. They were living in a rented room.

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CRUIKSHANK LEFT FOR PUERTO RICO

Missing Engineer, Mourned as Dead and Who Posed as Douglas, Absent from Office.

It was learned yesterday that Captain Barton S. Cruikshank, of Ogdensburg, who had been mourned as dead for two years and who was discovered alive and well in this city last Thursday living under the name of Donald Douglas, is believed by his business associates to have departed on last Saturday for Puerto Rico.